ARTS-AND-LEISURE

CENTER-FAR-THE-ARTS

OCATED IN BLOOMINGTON CIVIC PLAZA at the corner of West 98th Street and Old Shakopee Road, the Center for the Arts houses eight arts organizations. For facility information, call 952-563-8889. For exhibit information and events, call 952-563-8567 or visit the City's website, www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: Calendar.

EXHIBITIONS

BLOOMINGTON ART CENTER

952-563-8587

INEZ GREENBERG GALLERY

Wings,
Words and
Wires,
featuring
artist Erik
Pearson,
who
created the
Civic Plaza
mural, runs
through
January 11.



Pumpkin Soup by Erik Pearson.

GALLERY HOURS

 Monday - Friday
 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

 Saturday
 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

 Sunday
 1 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Distinguished Company: A Retrospective Exhibition of Works by

Richard Lack, Don Koestner and Stephen

Gjertson, runs **January 16 - February 20**.

Artists' reception is Friday, January 16,

6 - 8 p.m.

ATRIUM GALLERY, SECOND FLOOR

Bloomington Arts Center Instructor and Student Art Show, featuring works by instructors and their students, runs through December 28.

More Than Meets the Eye, featuring artists from the Fiber Art Study Group, runs January 2 - March 1.

SCHNEIDER THEATER

HANDEL'S MESSIAH

The Bloomington Chorale will perform this holiday classic, Saturday, December 6, 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, December 7, 3 p.m.

NUTCRACKER BALLET

Continental Ballet Company will present the *Nutcracker Ballet*, **Friday**, **December 12** and **Saturday**, **December 13**, 7:30 p.m. and **Sunday**, **December 14**, 3 p.m.

Tickets are \$24 adults; \$18 students/ seniors. To purchase tickets, call 952-563-8562.

EDGEWATER EIGHT HOLIDAY CONCERT

Edgewater Eight, an energetic, jazzy and nostalgic performing ensemble will present a tasty mix of Broadway Christmas favorites, Saturday, December 20, 7:30 p.m.

BING CROSBY AND THE ANDREW SISTERS SWING REVUE

Join Kathy Mueller, Lisa Pallen,
Aimee Fischer and Arne Fogel for jazz
hits and holiday favorites delivered in
the style made famous by Bing Crosby
and the Andrews Sisters, Sunday,
December 21, 2 p.m.



Robert Robinson performs traditional and contemporary gospel, spirituals, hymns and showstoppers, Saturday, January 10, 7:30 p.m.

Unless otherwise noted, call the Box Office at 952-563-8575 for theater tickets.

BLACK BOX THEATER



By CHARLES DICKENS

This holiday classic will be performed by the Gallery Theater Company, Thursdays - Saturdays, December 4 - 20, 7:30 p.m., and Sundays, December 7 - 21, 2 p.m. Tickets are \$17 adults; \$15 students/seniors.

COMMUNITY ARTS



HOLIDAYS WITH ANGELICA

The Angelica Cantanti Youth Choirs present their annual winter holiday concert on **Sunday**, **December 14**, **2:30 p.m.**, at St. Michael's Lutheran Church, 9201 Normandale Boulevard. For more information, visit www.angelicacantanti.org.

To audition, call 952-563-8572.

2008 - 2009 OUTDOOR SKATING RINKS

ARKS AND RECREATION will operate 15 outdoor ice skating sites this winter. During rink hours, all facilities will be lighted except for Logan Playlot. Some sites are supervised by a Parks and Recreation employee during public skating hours. See below. Weather permitting, park shelters will be open Monday, December 15, 2008, through Monday, February 16, 2009. For more information, call 952-563-8877. For up-to-date rink conditions and closings, call 952-563-8878 and select option 1.



	LOCATIONS AND FEATURES				
			RINK		
PARK	Address	Staffing	General	Hockey	Floodlights
1 Brookside	10000 Xerxes Ave. S.	Daily*	•	•	•
2 Bryant	1001 W. 85th St.	Daily*	•	•	•
3 Brye	10500 Xavier Ave. S.	Daily*	•	•	•
4 Haeg	8301 Penn Ave. S.	Wednesdays	•	•	•
5 Kelly	185 E. 102nd St.	Tuesdays	•	•	•
6 Logan	1900 W. 91st St.	Not staffed	•		
7 Oak Grove	1301 W. 104th St.	Daily*	•	•	•
8 Poplar Bridge	4600 W. 85th St.	Daily*	•	•	•
9 Ridgeview	6001 W. 94th St.	Wednesdays	•	•	•
10 Running	9501 12th Ave. S.	Daily*	•	2	•
11 Southglen	10701 Rich Road	Thursdays	•	•	•
Southwood	4800 Terracewood Dr.	Fridays	•	•	•
B Sunrise	9401 Blmgtn. Ferry Rd.	Daily*	•	•	•
14 Tarnhill	9650 Little Road	Mondays	•	•	•
15 Westwood	3490 W. 109th St.	Daily*	•	2	•

REGULAR December 15 - 19, 2008 Day of WEEK Day of WEEK Day of WEEK Day of WEEK December 15 - 19, 2008 January 5 - February 16, 2009 M - F 4 - 9 p.m. Noon - 9 p.m. Noon - 9 p.m.

*Shelters open **daily** will be staffed from 12 - 9 p.m. on the following holidays. All other rinks will have lights on.

December 24, 25 and 31, 2008 January 1 and 19, 2009. February 16, 2009. Hours are subject to change. Visit the City's website or shelters for daily updates.



BLOOMINGTON ICE GARDEN INDOOR SKATING RINKS

THE BLOOMINGTON ICE GARDEN (BIG), 3600 West 98th Street, has three indoor ice rinks available for public skating and adult open hockey.

Professional instructors offer a variety of skating lessons for children and adults. For more information, call 952-563-8842 or visit www.ci.bloomington.mn.us, keyword: BIG.